



Hamrun

## PACT OF TOWN TWINNING AMONGT THE LOCAL COUNCILS OF SCILLA AND HAMRUN

The year Two Thousand and Six the day eighteen of the month of March in Scilla's in Local Council's residence hereby present the mayor of Scilla Dr. Gaetano Ciccone and the mayor of Hamrun Dr. Luciano Busuttil,

**Recognised** the fact that the relationships entrenched in the town twinning constitute an essential element in achieving a better knowledge amongst the citizenships and that contribute to strengthen friendship and peace;

**Considered** that town twinning among towns of different nations represents an institution particularly meaningful apt in favouring and in promoting collaboration between citizens;

**Recognised** the opportunity, in mutual interest, in establishing enduring relationships of cooperation and exchanges which represent a stimulus and a contact for all the sectors which shape up the civil, social and economic fabric of the two towns;

**Established** that the town twinning becomes, so, a dynamic and concrete fact designated to become a permanent element of the life of the cities themselves;

**Aware** of the cultural and religious affinities that subsist among the two cities, origin and cause of this town twinning;

**Convinced** that a close collaboration among the two Local Councils has to transform itself in spiritual and material benefits for both citizenships;

**Convinced** that this town twinning is effectually capable to contribute to the full construction of Europe of the citizens;

### AGREE THAT

#### FIRST

The Local Councils of Scilla and Hamrun undersign the present pact of town twinning with the purpose of establishing a lasting cooperation, in favour of mutual knowledge and the construction of relations of friendship among the citizens of the two towns through exchanges of experiences, of knowledge and of social practices.

This cooperation represents the aspiration shared by the two towns in their contribution towards the formation of a democrat, tolerant, human and fraternal European citizenship spirit, with the objective of pursuing the progress, the development and the wealth of both citizenships.

#### SECOND

Both the Local Councils, under the title of twinned cities, are freely and spontaneously compromised to determine the spiritual and material growth of the two cities, strengthening their own relationships founded on the common will of peace, friendship and prosperity.

#### THIRD

The twinned towns will promote all sorts of social relationships, defining activities that will be considered more appropriate.

In accomplishing such an end the general orientations and the sectors of this cooperation are put forward, in which this project can be more or less realised:

- social relationships
- cultural relationships



- economic relationships
- sports relationships
- tourist relationships.

Such indications are not however restricted, and they can be deepened and broaden in relation to the development of the interaction amongst the two twinned towns.

#### FOURTH

Both the Local Councils will operate within the cultural activities, organising:

- popular performances related to the traditions of the two towns;
- in common musical initiatives in agreement with local musical associations;
- conferences regarding topics considered of mutual interest;
- exchanges of any kind of publications;
- meetings between the youths, students and families;
- educational projects, revealing and activities allied with the historical-cultural realm of research with the intent to extend the mutual knowledge of each other;
- exchanges about the gastronomic and oenological traditions, regarded as a fundamental and authentic cultural dimension of the two countries.

#### FIFTH

In the economic sector, the following actions will be undertaken:

- meetings with professional associations, trade unions, social;
- diffusion of typical products;
- information a propos handicraft activities, commercial of mutual interest.

#### SIXTH

Both the Local Councils will encourage the meeting of the diverse realities of the world of sports by means of the accomplishment of a network of relationships in the sports' sphere, that could address, mainly, soccer and volleyball, through reciprocal invitations for tournaments or other related activities.

#### SEVENTH

In promoting tourist initiatives both the Local Councils will operate for:

- the organisation of trips;
- the promotion of the programs related to traditional feasts and cultural activities;
- the promotion of exchanges of traditional popular feasts.

#### EIGHTH

The activities here described can subsequently be extended through the identification of further areas of mutual interest.

#### NINTH

The duration of the present accord is boundless. The relationship of the town twinning will be re-examined every five years in assuring that the intents of the project itself are pursued with full satisfaction of the communities of Scilla and Hamrun.

#### TENTH

Both the Local Councils will address, in relationship to their possibilities and their appointments of budget, own funds for the realisation of the joint initiatives; they will be committed, besides that, to retrieve other forms of financial support from private sources and, for the nature of the initiatives that they intend to embark on, from their respective Governmental and the E.U. institutions.

This protocol, that will go into force on the underneath date, is written in Italian, Maltese and English language and they are valid similarly.

Scilla 18 MAR 1994  
THE MAYOR OF HAMRUN

Dr. Luciano Busutil



THE MAYOR OF SCILLA

Dr. Gaetano Ciccone

